

County Profile

Alexander County (NC)

May 2022

Demographics

Population & Growth

	Population	% Annual Growth
2019 Est Population	37,213	0.3%
2020 Census Total Population	36,444	(0.2%)
Jul2020 NC Certified Population Estimate	36,372	(5.2%)

Urban/Rural Representation

		Urban/Rural Percent
2010 Census Total Population: Urban	10,126	27.2%
2010 Census Total Population: Rural	27,072	72.8%

Estimated Population by Age

		% Pop by Age
2019 Est Median Age	44	
2019 Est Total Pop 0-19	8,327	22.4%
2019 Est Total Pop 20-24	2,059	5.5%
2019 Est Total Pop 25-34	4,369	11.7%
2019 Est Total Pop 35-44	4,531	12.2%
2019 Est Total Pop 45-54	5,348	14.4%
2019 Est Total Pop 55-64	5,331	14.3%
2019 Est Total Pop 65+	7,248	19.5%

Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2019 Census ACS Est

Percent of Workers, By Travel Time

Avg Travel Time, Minutes	24.5
Workers Not Working at Home	15,815
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes	13.8%
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes	13.7%
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes	15.2%
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes	13.1%
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes	8.5%
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes	14.3%
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes	7.8%
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes	8.1%
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes	5.6%

Workers, By Transportation

Worker Transp, Base	16,401
Work at Home	3.6%
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone	84.4%
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van	8.7%
Public Transportation	0.0%
Walked	0.9%
Bicycle	0.0%
Taxi, Motorcycle, Other	2.4%

Place of Work

Worked in State/County of Residence	
Worked in State/Outside County of Residence	
Worked Outside State of Residence	

Commuters

7,020
9,316
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Residents

42.8%
56.8%
0.4%

Education

		Pop Age 25+
2020-21 Kindergarten-12th Enrollment	4,473	
2020 Average SAT score (1600 scale)	1,083	
2020 Percent of Graduates taking SAT	23.4%	
2019-20 (Provisional) Higher Education Completions	.	
2019-20 (Provisional) Higher Education Enrollment	.	
2019 Est Education Attainment age 25+, At Least High School Graduate	22,103	82.4%
2019 Est Education Attainment age 25+, At Least Bachelor's Degree	3,812	14.2%



Housing

		% Ann Growth or % Total
2020 Census Total Housing Units, % annual growth	15,960	(0.1%)
2020 Census Occupied Housing, % of total	14,408	90.3%
2020 Census Vacant Housing, % of total	1,552	9.7%
2019 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing	\$136,500	
2019 Est Median Gross Rent	\$654	
2019 Est Owner Occupied Housing, % of total	10,728	75.7%
2019 Est Renter Occupied Housing, % of total	3,441	24.3%
2019 Est % Owner Occupied Vacancy Rate	1.2%	
2019 Est % Renter Occupied Vacancy Rate	7.5%	

Income

		% Ann Growth or % Pov
2019 Est Median Family Income	\$60,331	
2020 Median Household Income (SAIPE)	\$53,523	(2.6%)
2019 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$30,659	
2020 Per Capita Income (BEA)	\$40,176	
2020 Est Pop, Income Below Poverty (SAIPE)	4,248	11.8%

Employment / Unemployment

	Currently	2021 Annual
Mar2022 Prelim., 2021 Employment	17,218	16,377
Mar2022 Prelim., 2021 Unemployment	542	1,317
Mar2022 Prelim., 2021 Unemployment Rate	3.1%	7.4%
2021Q4YTD, 2021 Announced Job Creation	20	20
2021Q4YTD, 2021 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	\$1.9	\$1.9

Employment / Wages by Industry

	2021Q4 Employment	2021 Employment	2021Q4 Avg Weekly Wage	2021 Avg Weekly Wage
Total All Industries	9,477	8,672	\$837	\$720
Total Government	1,809	1,847	\$945	\$862
Total Private Industry	7,668	6,825	\$811	\$682
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	.	161	.	\$692
Mining
Utilities
Construction	489	319	\$884	\$720
Manufacturing	3,900	3,278	\$919	\$792
Wholesale Trade	102	81	\$1,112	\$934
Retail Trade	746	687	\$537	\$494
Transportation and Warehousing	219	191	\$946	\$814
Information	29	25	\$777	\$756
Finance and Insurance	183	193	\$914	\$908
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	24	31	\$649	\$646
Professional and Technical Services	89	83	\$942	\$705
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises	.	12	.	\$667
Administrative and Waste Services	280	371	\$721	\$583
Educational Services	792	725	\$890	\$809
Health Care and Social Assistance	552	580	\$951	\$791
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	94	58	\$389	\$370
Accommodation and Food Services	642	637	\$321	\$254
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	184	182	\$700	\$517
Public Administration	932	997	\$925	\$881
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

Commercial/Retail/Industrial

Local Business

2021Q4 Available Industrial Buildings	.
2021Q4 Establishments: Total Private Industry	599
2021Q4 Establishments: Manufacturing	68
2019 Est Self Employed	971

Local Retail Business

2021 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$249.4
2021 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	180
2021 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$1,385,648
2021Q4 Available Commercial Buildings (if County reports)	.

Quality of Life

Taxes

FY2021-22 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.7900
FY2020-21 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$300.0
2021 Tier designation	1

Childcare

2022Q1 Licensed Child Care Facilities	.
2022Q1 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	.

Healthcare Providers

2019 Number of Physicians	13
2019 Physicians/10,000 population	3.4
2020 RNs/10,000 population	33.5
2020 Dentists/10,000 population	1.3
2020 Pharmacists/10,000 population	7.7

Sources:




Census (2020, ACS 2015-19) for income, commuters, place of work, population, housing, and educational attainment at <https://data.census.gov>. AGS for retail data at www.AppliedGeographic.com. NC Dept. of Education for SAT data by NC county system at <http://www.ncpublicschools.org>. US Dept. of Education, National Center for Education Statistics for higher education data at <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter>. NC Commerce, Labor and Economic Analysis Division for NC tiers, occupational data, employment and unemployment, and wages and establishments by industry at <https://d4.nccommerce.com/>. EDPNC for announced new jobs and investment and available buildings at <https://edpnc.com>. NC Dept. of Health & Human Services for childcare data at <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/>. UNC Sheps Center for healthcare professions at <https://nchealthworkforce.unc.edu/>. For more data resources, see <https://d4.nccommerce.com/>.

Notes:




Data are the latest available at the date the profile was prepared. A period means the data is not available. SAT scores use the 1600 scoring system and represent county systems. Unemployment data is now the latest month which is preliminary and is subject to change. US Education IPEDs data for Completions and Enrollment is at least Provisional and updated when Final. Census' American Community Survey (ACS) data are estimates, noted 'Est' and are from the 5-year survey; data is as of final year with dollars inflated to final year. Per capita income is a broad measure of income spread over all residents. Worker earnings includes wage income for residents regardless of where they work. Private sector wages are paid by local employers to their employees regardless of where they live. Additional data resources are available at: <https://d4.nccommerce.com/>.

Alexander County, North Carolina



-  Commercial Airports
-  General Aviation
-  NC Ports

-  Hospitals
-  Public Health Departments
-  Community Colleges

-  Public Universities
-  Independent Colleges and Universities
-  Military Installations



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Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, USDA